

The Files (Trip Report)

24 September 1956

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Task Order 3

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1. On 17 September 1956 a meeting was held at the [REDACTED]
25X1A5a1 of the [REDACTED] Present at the meeting were:

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2. [REDACTED] stated that the design of the ferrite antenna element has been frozen. The design of the complete tunable antenna has been frozen and a sample was loaned to the writer for a period of one week. Parts for the 20 tunable antennas have been ordered from the model shop. Completion of the wideband ferrite antenna design is considered simple and should not cause delays or present problems.

3. [REDACTED] was told that the Agency preferred receiving a few wideband and narrowband antennas as soon as possible rather than delay delivery of the wideband antennas to the end of the delivery schedule. [REDACTED] has therefore changed their delivery schedule to:

5 narrowband	October 8
5 wideband	October 8
14 narrowband	October 26
5 wideband	October 26
1 narrowband with sensitivity curve and antenna patterns	December 1

4. It was agreed that all work so far has been within the scope of the contract, but that an examination of antenna response from 1 megacycle to 30 kilomegacycles would be beyond the scope of the contract. [REDACTED] was requested to submit a proposal on obtaining this response curve.

5. [REDACTED] was asked to quote on 50 tunable and 50 wideband antennas. Such additional units would be produced by some division other than the Electronics Laboratory. [REDACTED] stated that they were originally requested to make a study of ferrite antennas and had subsequently agreed to construct the 30 antennas in a rough form as a service to us. He stated that the Research Laboratory could not do as good a job on a product as a manufacturing division could and that manufacturing was not in the laboratory's line. The impression conveyed was that every engineering change and test program that has been requested has been a nuisance which they performed only for customers relations.